

consideration for the players having given their all and still not being quite able to get over the top of the hill or turn the corner, I think it is commendable. But on the other hand if it is that chauvinistic type attitude of saying that even as a loser Nebraska is better than anybody else, then it goes back to foolishness. This is a foolish proposition that we are considering here today because the intent is not really to pass it. Senator Beyer probably has the intent to pass it but often there are subterranean forces at work with reference to a Senator's bill and the Senator is not aware of those forces and he or she begins to see coalitions form, begins to see strength gained or strength lost without being able to tell exactly why. Well that is because the real decisions are not made in the presence of that Senator or most Senators. There is a government which we see sitting here in this Chamber, there is an informal, invisible but powerful government which people don't see but which gets things done and calls the shots. On this proposition that invisible government is calling the shots. I lost on the last proposition as far as the vote but I don't feel I lost anything in terms of my principles. When I am unable to stop this quietly trundling juggernaut, I am not going to feel that I lost anything as far as principle because I am doing what is within my power to stop it. One vote out of 49 cannot carry the day but sometimes one voice can cause others to begin to think seriously about what it is that we are actually doing here. The state has not been harmed by the absence of a provision like this from the Constitution. I don't think the state or the citizens will be helped by the inclusion of such a provision in the Constitution. So far I haven't heard anybody argue that it is unconstitutional, even though it has been argued that it is unwise and inappropriate, for the state to have a lottery if it is conducted and the funds are expended for the proper purpose after they are taken in. This is totally unnecessary. I am opposed to it and I hope that you will vote to indefinitely postpone it.

SENATOR LAMB PRESIDING

SENATOR LAMB: Before we go to the next speaker I would like to introduce two people from my legislative district under the South balcony, Sharon Hanks of Eddyville, Bev Williams from Broken Bow and they are with the Nebraska Aviation